



DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

July 15, 2004

**Notice**

**To: Private and Public Operators of Curbside, Dropoff or Collection, Community Service and Recycling Center Programs**

**Subject: Statewide Commingled Rate Study Public Workshop**

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The Department of Conservation (Department) will be holding a workshop on the methodology used to conduct the statewide commingled rate study in Sacramento on August 6, 2004. Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 14549.5, the Department will, through this workshop, consult with private and public operators of curbside, drop-off or collection, community service, recycling center and reverse vending machine programs regarding the size of the statewide sample, appropriate sampling methodologies, and alternatives to exclusive reliance on a statewide commingled rate. The study methodology used by the Department will be presented in detail and participants' comments and questions will be addressed.

Anyone interested in reviewing the methodology used by the Department to determine the statewide average commingled rates, refund values and/or number of containers per pound, is encouraged to attend the workshop. Participants are also encouraged to present alternative methodologies at this workshop. The workshop will be held at the location shown below, on the date and time indicated:

**Friday, August 6, 2004  
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
John Muir Room  
801 K Street, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA**

Please note that the workshop will begin at the time indicated and will only continue the full two hours as necessary. Attendees requiring more information after the conclusion of the workshop should contact the Department staff listed below.

In the event that you are unable to attend the workshop and would like to send in methodological suggestions or would like to receive copies of the workshop materials, please direct your suggestions and/or requests, in

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advance, via e-mail to [aseyfried@conservation.ca.gov](mailto:aseyfried@conservation.ca.gov) or via fax to (916) 445-0645, or via U.S. mail to:

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